



INFLUENZA REPORT

2022-2023 Influenza Season

MMWR Week 9 (2/26/23-3/04/23)

Weekly Report of Influenza and Influenza-like Illness (ILI) Activity



Influenza and Influenza-like Illness Activity

Spread

Sporadic

Transmission continues to decrease in every county

Flu Activity

Minimal

Activity continues to decline across the state

ILI Activity

Minimal

Reports of outpatient respiratory illnesses are trending down

Co-circulating

Other Viruses:

SARS-CoV-2
RSV

Seasonal Data

Types of Flu

Influenza A and B viruses are circulating

Subtypes

Primary: A/H3

Predominately H3N2 viruses reported across the country this week

Outbreaks

0

No LTCF or school associated outbreaks reported

Severity

Inpatients

Hospitalizations continue to decline across the country

Deaths

0

No locally reported pediatric deaths; 125 total pediatric deaths across the country this season

Syndromic

1

Syndromic anomaly reported in Campbell County

EMS

19

Suspected ILI reports this week

Hot Spots

Tracking Trends

Within local case counts



Geographic Activity by Regions

Wyoming as a whole has continued to have **local activity** this week (MMWR Week 9). Transmission levels have continued to decline across the state.

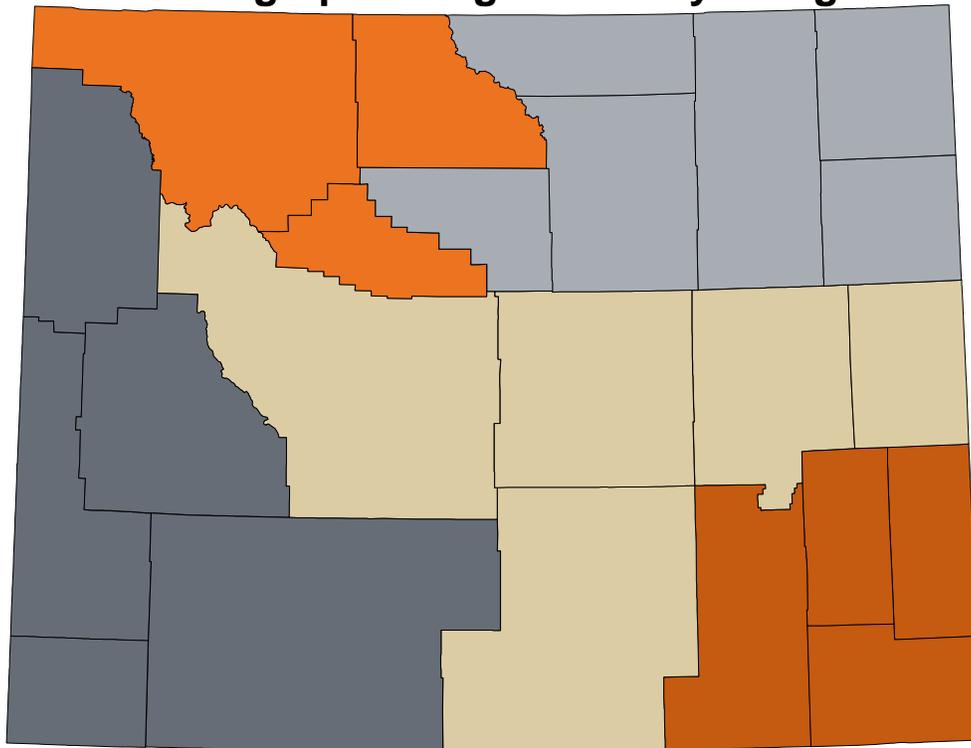
Healthcare providers in **9** counties reported ILI activity.

The electronically reported influenza cases represent **all five** Infectious Disease Epidemiology (IDE) Geographic Regions.

All five IDE Geographic Regions indicated trends of **local activity** this week with most counties continuing to see a **decrease** in reported case counts.

Healthcare providers across the state electronically reported **less than 20** influenza cases (rapid influenza diagnostic tests and PCR confirmed tests) this week.

IDE Geographic Regions of Wyoming



- Southeastern (local, with cases reported in Laramie and Platte counties)**
- Central (local, with cases reported in Natrona and Fremont counties)**
- Western (local, with cases reported in Teton and Sweetwater Counties)**
- Big Horn (local, with cases only reported in Park County)**
- Northeastern (local, with cases reported in Campbell and Crook counties)**



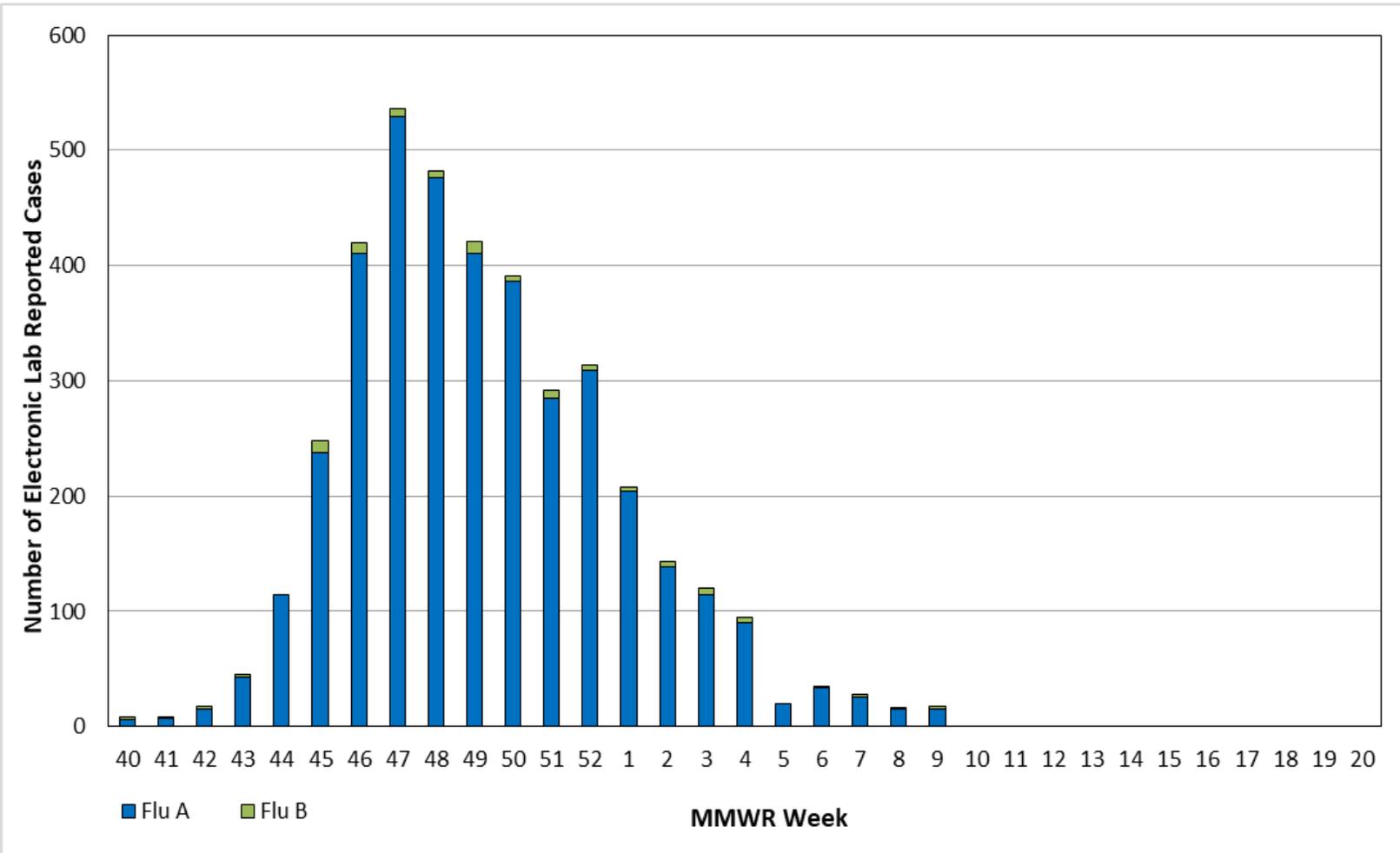
Public Health Laboratory

The overall volume of samples tested for influenza at the Wyoming Public Health Laboratory has increased since the introduction of the CDC Influenza SARS-CoV-2 Multiplex Assay. Wyoming saw roughly the same number of positive influenza specimens reported this week compared to week 8.

Healthcare and Clinical Laboratories

Clinical laboratories most frequently reported **Influenza A/H3N2 viruses** during MMWR Week 9, with increasing percentages of H1N1 and Influenza B viruses.

Electronic Lab Reports of Influenza Cases



* This graph is not representative of all influenza cases across the state



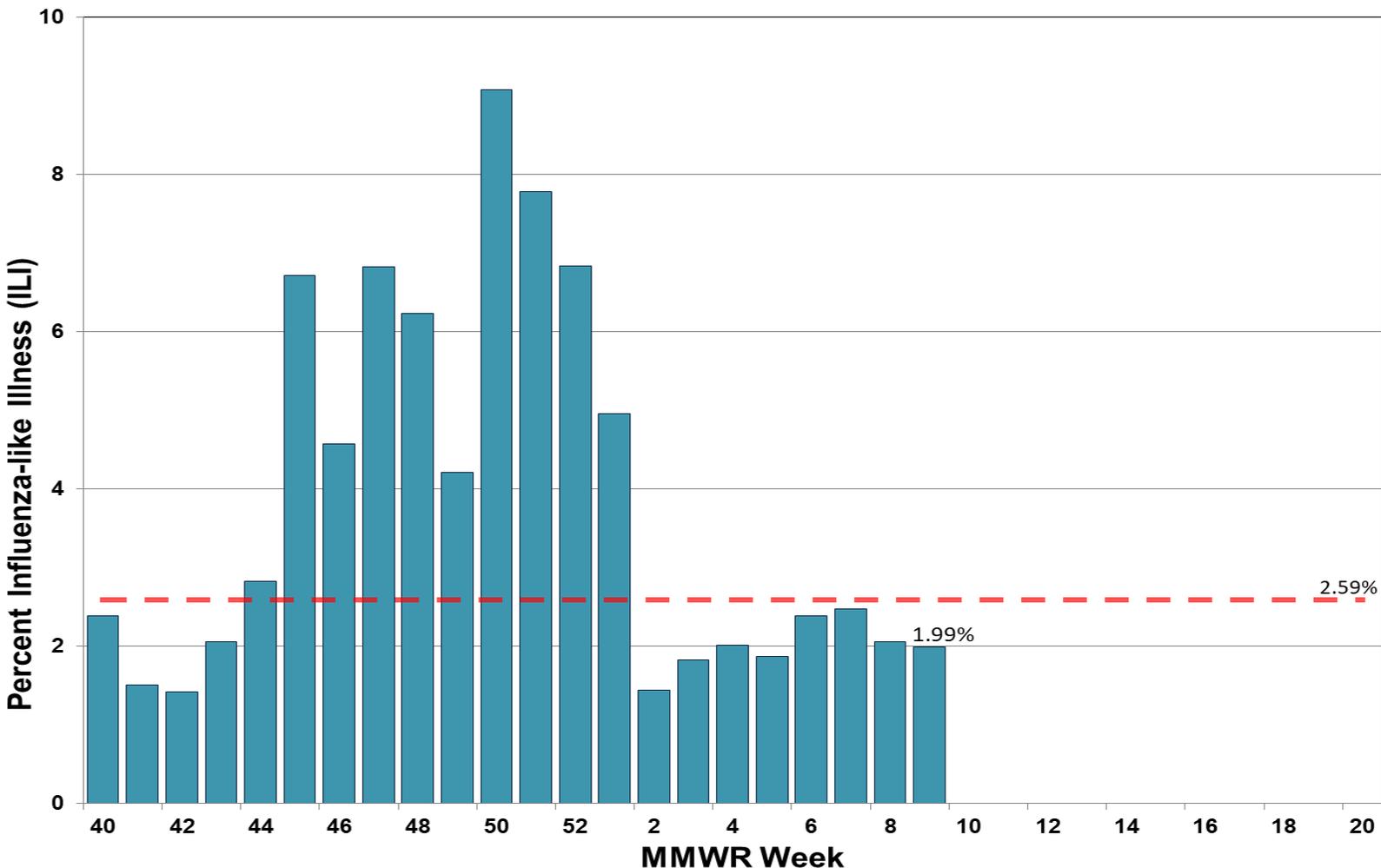
ILINet Providers

The percent of patient visits to ILINet Sentinel Providers for influenza-like illness was **1.99%**, which is **below** Wyoming's baseline (**2.59%**), and another **slight decrease** from week 8.

The Wyoming Department of Health received reports from **less than 50%** of the ILINet providers across the state. Therefore, the weekly percentages could change as values are submitted.

Key Updates: Nationally, outpatient respiratory illness is now below baseline, and eight of the 10 HHS regions are below their respective baselines this week. Based on CDC calculations, transmission within Wyoming remained **minimal** this week. Seasonal influenza activity also remains low nationally.

Weekly Percent of ILI Visits





Mortality Data

Tracking death certificates is the best surveillance system to capture and identify pneumonia and influenza-associated deaths in Wyoming. According to the CDC, influenza is infrequently listed on death certificates. Also, testing for seasonal influenza infections is not frequently performed, particularly among the elderly, who are at greatest risk for seasonal influenza complications and death. Therefore, public health officials may not identify influenza-associated deaths in many instances; consequently, this surveillance system may underestimate the true impact of influenza-associated deaths in the state.

There have been **46 pneumonia and influenza (P&I) mortality reports** certified since the beginning of the 2022-2023 Influenza Season.

Monthly P&I Mortality Reports (2017-2023)

